

PUBLISHED DAILY AND TRI-WEEKLY BY EDGAR SNOWDEN.

SATURDAY EVEN'O., FEBUARY 21, 1880.

To morrow will be the anniversary of Wash ington's birthday -- a day that should be commemorated joyously throughout the whole country, and in no State mera so than in Vicginia, and in no city more so than in Alexandria, the market town of the great man, and the accestors of whose citizens were his familiar friends and acquaintances. In former years the 22d was, after Christmas, Alexandria's chief holiday, but the times are so sadly out of joint, the people of the city are so broken spirited. and the ideas, principles and institutions of the country were so altered by the war, that since then, save with one or two exacptions, the day has been allowed to pass without much

The Senate of Virginia was to have passed the repudiators' bill to-day. That bill will now go to the House of Delegates, by which it will also, deubless be passed, after such opposition as the contervativescan make, though why it should, with as many republicans as there are in that House, is hard to tell. A chief plank in all the platforms of the republican party is a strict recognition and observance of premiary obligations, and to that is owing much of their success, and why, now in Virginia alone, they should des'roy the best plank in their platform, renounce the debt paying policy and join the repudiators, and thattoo, in the fees of such a rebuke as they received the other day from S.c. retary Sherman, is inexplicable upon any other ground than a desire to weaken the conservative party at any cost, even to the extent of proclaiming themselves public robbers, warning the world against crediting them any longer, and acknowledging that their past professions of honesty were but the devices of hypperisy, availed of as a means to enable them the more easily to cleat and defraud the the Chesapeake & Ohio depot at the same people of the country.

When the bill granting a charter to the Baltimore, Cincinnati and Western railroad, which has already passed the Virginia State Sonate shall reach the House of Delegates, we hope the members of that body may have returning. No clue to the perpetrators, enough regard for the interest of Virginia's border city to iesis; upon an amendment mak. ing the road pass through Alexandria. This city is now heavily handicapped by the debts she has incurred from subscriptions to railroads destroyed property valued at \$1,050,000. Two that have reduceded to the interests of other firemen lest their lives. part of the State, and it would be ungener ons for the General Assembly to specially exclude her from the benefits of a road that is to pass so near her limits. The railroad system of Virginia seems to be adapted to the detriment of her own and to the advancement of the interests of other States, but we trust that it may not be pushed to such a ridiculeu ly injurious extent as would be apparant by granting a charler to a company to build a railroad through any Louis Toursday. portion of the northern section of the State, provided a Virginia city be excluded from any o its resulting benefits.

If the result of an election is one small county of Virginia is the cause of the recent rise in Virginia bands, how much higher will they riso when the people of all the counties in the State have a chance to express their opinion of the men who are now trying to tuin the State's credit, and how can the repudiators hope for the success of their efforts to destroy the value of Virginia coupons?

Scribner's Magagine for March has been received from its publishers, in New York. Among its contents are: The Tile Club Alloat; Louisiana; Notes of a Walker; The Grandissimos; Extracts from the Journal of Henry J. Raymond; Two Views of Napoleon; Peter the Great; The Comte de Noe; Success with Small Fruits; Over Sunday in New Sharon; The Wards of the Government, and a full editorial

Litteli's Living Age for February 21 has been received from its publishers, in Boston. Among its contents is a continuation of the story of Adam and Eve, by the author of Dorothy For, from advance sheets.

The February number of the Musical Herald. has been received from its publishers, in Boston. Its table of contents, as its name implies, is especially intended for musical people.

"Columbia's Noble Mcn," dedicated to James Gordon Bennett and other generous Americans who have contributed to the Irish Relief Fund, a new song, just out, has been received from the New York Music Publishing Company.

We are indebted to James S. Gregory, esq. registrar of Kilmaraock, Scotland, for a copy of his report made to the town council of that

VIRGINIA MINERALS. - We are reliably informed that the Dover Iron Company (which owns about nine hundred acres of rich mineral land, formerly bought by Gen. Stone of Capt. J. J. Dillard, some years ago,) has commerced a railroad from Riverville to these lands, some three miles, to strike the Virginia Midland R. R. at some point-most probably Amberst Courthouse. This road is full guage with the Midland road. Mr. W. C. Moneare, of Richmond, the engineer, and J. T. Jones, manager, are on the ground-the survey is going on, and the work of clearing the track begun. The President of the Dover Company, T. M. Walcott, esq . of New York, is directing the road, and the hands at work will, it is said, be increased to one hundred and fifty this week. This is business.

Captain J. W. Henley, formerly an extensive and experienced railroad contrator, has leased the very extensive and rich kaolin lands in Nelson county, between l'iney and Tye rivers, and has made arrangements to ship to New York from twenty to forty tons of kaolin per day, by the Midland road from Arrington depot. - Lynchburg News.

Simultaneously with the explosion in the Winter Palace, on the 17th inst, bombs were thrown in the adjoining streets. A person was arrested who was seen leaving the palace just after the explosion.

VINGINIS NEWS. Mr. C. G. Howison, the lately elected judge of | Special Correspondence of the Alcoa, Guzette

'rince William county has qualified. The Potemae Baptist Association will meet at Manassas on Friday night cext, the 27th in

Collections were taken up last Sunday in the Episcopal churches at Brentsville and Manussas for the relief the famine sufferers in Ire'and, The town Council of Culpeper C. II., have

adopted means for a stricter quarantine of the district in that place infected with small pox. An organized band of thieves near Hillsborough, in Loudoun county, has been broken up and three of the band ledged in juil at Lies-

Parties engaged in prospecting for iron ore in Clarke county are still at work. Deposits in

A colored man living near Front Royal, in Warren county, lost three children from searies fever last work. The diseasy appeared in a maligoant form.

From all we can learn, says the Piedmont Virgioian, seed oats will be very space in Orange county. Numerous inquiries are being made among the farmers.

Dr. John J. Buchanaa bas accepted the position of president of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to which ho was some time since elected.

Betsy Hopkins, colored, died in Waterford. Loudoun county, last Sunday night, at the advanced age, according to the most reliable data, of one hundred and six years.

Col. Samuel A. Swann former member of the House of Delegates and subsequently superin-tendent of the penitestiary, died suddenly at Louisa Court House, yesterday, from an attack of paralysis. He had gone to Louisa to attend the marriage of a relation.

Diphtheria has mado its appearance in two portions of Prices William county, vz: Ocesquan and the sorrounding country and in the neighborhood of Brentsville. The Manasass Gazette understands that in the lower portion of the county the disease is of a most malignant type and that several deaths have ensued there

The inte of texation in Clarke county, for 1880, has been fixed at 521 cents on the \$100 for county taxes, and 50 cents for State taxtotal \$1.024 on the \$100. In addition to the above, a levy of 10 cents has been made in Chapel and Battletewa districts for district chool purposes, and of 3 cents in Greenway and Long Marsh districts for same purposes. The aggregate of taxes in Chapel and Battletown districts will amount to \$1.124, and in Green. way and Long Marsh, \$1.051.

On Tuesday night some thieves broke into the posteffice at l'ishersville, Augusta county, but did not succeed in securing any valuable plunder as the postmaster, Samuel Haws, keeps his stamps, &c., at his house, some distance from the postofie. The thieves got a number of private letters, which they opened and read in rear of Mr. Gulley's store, by the light from his office window, where they were found next morning. No one has been arrested yet. Last Thursday night some thieves broke into place. Whilst Mr. T. D. Leyall, agent, was out of the office about filteen minutes, the thieves effected an entrance by cutting out a pane of glass and removing the fastening on the inside. They attempted to prize open the desk which contained the company's funds, about fifty dollars, but were seared off, by the agent

STEWS OF THE DAK.

Both House of Congress adjourned yesterday till Menday.

A fire on Broadway, New York, yesterday,

The New York Herald rejects Parcell as one of the committee to distribute ice tunds for the conditions he impoves.

A woman was found at the Lexington market, Baltimere, yesterday, driven insune by the death of her busband. Poor creature, if she had only refleed how much better off he was! The contract for the building of another fifty

miles of the Texas and Pacific railroad extension, west of Weatherford, Texas, was let at St. The large wooden bridge on the Nashville,

Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad, near Chattanooga, Tenn., was barned yesterday. Passengers to and from New Orloans, Mamphis and Nashvillo have to be transferred in boats.

Mr. Brandreth, whose death was announced in yesterday's Gazette, leaves a large fami ly and a good estate. His son, Mr. George A. Brandreth, married a sister of Mrs. Speaker determined about accepting it, but if he does Randall and Mrs. Governor Swann.

In the U. S. Senate yesterday an effort was made to take up and pass House bill admitting free of duties certain contributions from abroad in aid of colored refugees in Kansas, but pending action, the Senate adjourned. In the House the Senate bill author zing the designation of a United States vessel to carry, free of charge, contributions for the relief of the suffering poor of Ireland was passed.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Prof. Nordenskjold and party arrived at Rome

An alliquee between Peru and Bolivia has een broken off,

The independence of Roumania has been recg sized by European governments. Ten persons are dying daily from yellow fever in Rio Janeiro.

The Mansion House Relief Committee has recoived \$310,000, and expended \$180,000. Mr. Plimsoll, M. P., has apologized for pla-

carding members who obstructed his grain bag The victims of the dynamite explosion in the

Winter Palace, St. Petersburg, were buried yesterdsy. According to the new Cuban budget, taxes on urban and rural property will take the place of the poll tax on slaves.

In Paris it is believed England and Russia have agreed to allow Persia to occupy Herat, and thus establish an Asiatic zona libro between

Prof. Maskelyne, the highest living authority on the subject, says Mr. Hannay, of Glasgow, has succeeded in producing diamonds artific-

In the British House of Lords yesterday Lord Beaconstield said the British government considered that the time had arrived when they should settle forever who should possess the great gates of India. The policy of the government, distinctly and repeatedly declared, had not swerved for a moment. Complete command of the great gates of the Indian empire had been obtained with absolute success. As to the condition of Afghanistan, parts thereof, he said, and notably the distirict of Candahar, were in a state of absolute peace and great prosperity. Lord Beaconsfield said, in conclusion : be firm, resolute and determined; let the people know that this country is ready to be just, but that it has resolved to be obeyed, and difficulties and complications will immediately dis-

COURT OF APPEALS, YESTERDAY .- Goddin vs. Crow. From the Circuit Court of the city of Richmond. Affirmed, Judge Barks deliver. ing the opinion.

Hughes vs. Harvey. Order of dismission set aside and cause reinstated on the decket, and rule to print enlarged to the 11th of March

Battaile, &c., vs. Maryland Hospital for Insane. Order of dismission sat aside and cause reinstated on the docket, and rule to print enlarged to the 11th of March next,

Southern Mutual Insurance Company vs. Taylor. Petition for rehearing filed.

PROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21, 1880. Neither house of Congress was in session to day, both having adjourned yesterday until Monday. The Capitol therefore presented a

rather listless appearance, the only evidence of activity apparent about it being exhibited by the newspaper men on their rounds to the few committee rooms that were open. Quite a large party, including Congressman John Goods, of Virginia, left this morning for

placs. The conferer er committee of the House and denate Pensions Committee on the bill relating to granting arrears of pensions by special paying quantities have been found on several act, of which Senator Withers is chairman, mot this morning, but pestponed action on that bill

Carlisle, Pa., to visit the Indian school at that

until next week. A sub committee of the Senate Committee on Territories met this morning and examined Colonel M. D. Ball, United States Collector at Sirka, in reference to the organization of a form

I government for Alaska. The Senate Committee on Railroads was engaged to day in considering the bill fer granting an excession of time for the completion of the Northern Preific railroad.

Mr. Voorhees' witnesses before the Senate exadus committee will close their testimony next week, and Mr. Windom's come upon the stand. The latter are expected to equal the famous Louisiana witnesses in their absolute disregard of the ninth commandment.

The receipts at the Treasury to day from internal revenue amounted to \$303.123; from customs \$817,766. The amount of U. S. bonds now deposited as security for national bank notes is \$372,762,900; the amount deposited during the week ending to day as scenning for such notes was \$1,810,300; the amount withdrawn \$2 294,000. The amount of national bank notes received for redemption for the week ending to day was \$740,000; for the corresponding week last year \$3,493,000; for to day

Senator Vanco has been invited by the He brows in this city to deliver his famous lecture on the lost tribes of Israel, and has accepted the invitation.

Mr. Cameron, of Petersburg, is in the city. He says that General Mahone's whole previous life would indicate that when he takes his seat in the Senate it will be as a democrat, but there is no telling what may happen before March

No appointments have yet been made in place of Messes. Bristoc and Bolling, who have been rejected as supervisors of census in Vicginia. Messrs, Mike Glennan and Horace Withers are being pressed for the vacancies, but with not very bright hopes of su cass, as the indication are that the names of two republicans will be sent in. The Virginia delegation, however, have determined that both the positions shall not be given to republicans, but that one of them at least shall go to a conservative. Lively fights are now in progress in the execu tive sessions of the Senate over the confirmation of census supervisors, such sessions as that of Thursday lasting until late in the evening. All but four or five of the original appointments have, however, been acted on.

The democrats are still felicitating themselves upon the victory they schieved in the House Thursday in retaining the rule which allows riders to appropriation bills when they reduce appropriations. It is doubtful, however, if this rule will not act injuriously upon the party which has secured its

retention. Mr. Priest, of Missouri, and Mr. Wilson, of Maine, are two more members of the national democratic committee who have reached the city to attend the meeting of that committee on Monday next. A strong delegation from Cincinnati are here to induce the committee to select that city for the place of meeting of the national convention. A delegation from Chiigo arrived last night to urge the advantages their city possesses for that convention. New relief of the Irish sufferers on account of the Yorkers are doing their best to make the committee select Saratogs. The indications now seem to be in favor of Cincincati. Senator Coke, of Texas, will act as proxy for the party in his State at the meeting of the committee. It seems now as though there was to be a fight in Congress over Mr. McLean's bill, the giss of which is to give Congress the control over the Southern Pacific Railroad as to freights and fare, as well as over all other railcoads traversing territories. Mr. Huntington, who has been here opposing the bill, has returned to

> ders'ood, will be supplied by Mr. Gould. It is doubtful whether the bill will rass. Mr. Louis Shade, editor of the Washington Sentinal and one of the counsel in Mrs. Surtatt's case, has been invited to deliver a speech before the liquor men in Richmond. He is unwill take the ground that the negroes first exeiuded European immigration from the State, and that the attempted introduction of puritanical and sumptuary laws is working to the

New York, but his place in the lobby, it is un-

Miss Lizzie Holcombe, formerly of Alexandria, but now of this city, who sustained such serious injuries by a fall from a fruit tree a year and a half ago, that it was supposed she was place by the famous woman, who, being prosccated in Italy as a sorcerers, sought an asylum in this county, and is now an inmate of the house of General Woodford, in New York.

Miss Holcombe's cure is said to be complete. The Charles E. Dailey, who has recently been appointed receiver of public moneys at Florence, Arizona, hails frem Falls Church, Fairfax

county, Va. Col. Edward Daniels, of Fairfax county, Va. a member of the Assay Commission to inspect he mints of the U.S., has just returned from I hiladelphia where the commission made its first inspection. The condition of that mint is eminently estisfactory. The wastage is reduced to one fifty-third of the legal allowance. The coins are in all cases up to standard, a slight overplus generally, but not sufficient to exceed the largest limit. The progressive perfection of machinery is surprising. A single machine sorts automatically in cans as they successively leave the die, weighs each, and places them in their respective receptacles of light, standard and heavy coin, and this, too, at the rate of six-ty per minute. There are nine members of the mmittee, of whom two, Col. Daniels and Judge Buckley, of Alabams, are from the South.

WHAT ROUSED SILVER CITY .- The following item appeared in the Lyon County Times of Saturday morning:

"Silver City will not be hurt by the new railroad; nor will it be benefited. A graveyard cannot be affected by a railway two miles away." Shortly before noon it was evident to the most cisual of server that some unusual excitement was afoot among the citizens of Silver. At 12:20 a deputation of the leading men of the town were sent to enter the front door of the Times office. A moment later Mr. Piccotte, the editor, wrs observed to c'imb out of the back window, hare headed and in his shirt-sleeves. He turned his steps towards Gold Hill and progressed at the rate of ten miles per bour. The entire population, accompanied by all the degs, followed Mr. Piccotte. It took him out a few minutes to pass through Gold Hill and reach Virginia. He was last seen flashing through Six-mile Canton. To-day a flag of truce is flying from the apex of Sugar-loaf Mountain. A strong glass discloses a man with-out a shirt, sitting at the foot of a temporary flagstaff, with a pile of rocks of convenient size within hand reach, and preparing a series of questions for submission to the Supreme Judi-cial Court of Nevada. A peaceable solution of the difficulty is hoped for.

Judge Robertson concluded his argument yesterday in the suit of Lewis and others vs. the W. & O. R. E., before the Circuit Court of Richmond. This suit has engaged the attention of that Court for the past week. It will be some time yet before a decision is rendered. Letters from Richmond.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] RICHMOND, VA., February 19th, 1880 .-The readjusted ire against Fulkerson and Paul is it creasing, that is the ire in certain quarters. probably be undetered by any threats which Sonator Cephas Davie, the colored brother who "felt when he met a readjuster he met his equal," took a hand in the quarrel.

Of course there is much surprise at the decision of the Court of Appeals to day in the Henrico courty judgeship case. No men are more surprised than the members of the legal fraternity, who, hearing the judges questions and the arguments of counsel, thought the de cision would be the other way. And yet, despite the fic that the matter has gone against them. I have heard no members of the conservative party speak discespec fully of the court. And, in this respect, the contrast between this party and members of the so called reacjuster party is striking, for not only last night were threats made by certain of the mongrel; that in the event of the court going against them, they would pass a joint resolution unseating the judges; but one was heard to remark to day that had the opinion of the Court of Appeals been different to day this session of the legislature would have been a lengthy one. Their purpose was to drag down and debase the highest judicial bonch in the land, and fill the vecint lineeles with willing superserviocable

Many of the Mahone ring in the Legislature are very careful about expressing themselves on the presidential question. Of course it is very well understood that there is in both houses a certain element which, to all intente and purposes, is owned by blabone, as a man would own a bex of blicking er a pair of shoes. At the wink of the eye of the big hat On they shout his way, and in abject genuflections grovel to his will. In that crowd, of course, there will be found those who favor Mahone's presidential election teheme. And yet they

are faict of heart at its prospects.

In the House the only man who expresses himself in favor of Tillen is Edwards, of Ports moth. Bayard bas a considerable following, Poindexter has been put in the same cell in the penitentiary with George R. Shine, of

Alexandria. The tomb of Curtis can be seen in Hollywood from the upper tier of cells in the penitentiary. The proposed amendment offered by Fulker-

son to Riddleberger's debt till simply means that the creditors shall have no interest at al on the debt. That is the plain English of it. Moffett never has anything to say on the debt question, and it is unders oud never attends the caucus. Indeed it seems doubtful whother the caucus

will ever meet again. That body finds it very difficulty to get even a quorum. It is feared that City Sergeant Lee, who broke his arm in his chare after Baceigalupe. will have to loose it.

RICHMOND, Feb. 20. The funeral to day of the late Dr. Jeter was the largest known in Richmond sires that of Bishop Mc'lill. The church as soon as it was opened was preked to suffication. Dr. Jeter was loved by the people of Richmond of all de

nominations. Mr. Paul to day had the floor on the Riddle berger debt bill. It was finally laid over unti to morrow. It seems almost impossible for the members of the readjuster party to agree on this bill. Certainly they are bitterly decided upon the subject now. Several mutual friends have tried in vain to settle the differences between Paul and Fulkerson en one side and Rid

deberger on the other.

A tumer was received here this morning of the death of Col. Samuel A. Swann, late ru perintendent of the penitentiary. To night nother rumor was received to the effect that he was not yet dead, but that he was very low. I am inclined to believe that the first rumor is true. There were lew men in Vaginia more popular than Col. Swann-that is, who had more real friends. While superintendent of the penitentiary he was noted for the shiet die pline with which he managed that isstitution. At the same time he was entirely just in all his dealings. He was turned out of other by the readjusters, because he was in favor of the honest payment of the State's debts. There was nothing cringing or time serving about him. When the Legislature assembled, and he heard that the office seeking gang wanted to

turn him out of offer he held alcof from thom, and asking nothing at their hands, and conscious of duty well performed, surrend rice no prisciple, he left the office, as every good officer should leave an office-with no stain on his name, no flaw in his administration. It was the fond hope of the friends of this good and tried Virginian and officer that he might live to go back [along with other faithful servants of the State | into the office from which he had been thrust for no cause save that he performed his duties faithfully. STRONGROW.

Legislative. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, February 21, 1880.-In the Senate yesterday the bill to smend the lamed for life, has had her hip joint put in Code in relation to the carrying of razors and other concealed weapons was considered, but passed by.

The bill for the relief of the scenities of Nathan G. Taliaferro, late general agent of the penitentiary, was considered but no action taken, and the remainder of the session compied in the

discussion of the debt question. In the House of Delegates, a bill was introduced by Mr. Fair prescribing certain duties and liabilities of commissioners of the revenue. An adverse report was made upon the bill

concerning fees of equally treasurers. The bill to amend the act prescribing the duties, powers, liabilities and compensation of cartain county officers, was fiverably reported

tion to the Auditor's power to adjust old claims; and giving the consent of this State to the acquisition by the Government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Danville. The bill authorizing the purchasers of the

Washington City, Virginia Midland and Great Southern Railroad Company to issue common and preferred stock for certain purposes was ordered to its engressment.

The bill to amend the Code in relation to as sessors was discussed and finally dismissed. The bill to authorize the James River and Kanawha Company to construct and maintain a railway along its line was discussed.

COLORED REFUGEES IN KANSAS, -A card appeared in the New York papers Thursday singed by Berj. B. Sherman, president Mechanic's Back; Jackson S. Schultz, Sigelair Tousey, Charles Watrous, F. D. Tappen, L. G. B. Cannon, George Bliss, Richard Butler, Thos, A. Acton, J. M. Ragua, J. Bishop Putman, Isaac Sherman, E. D. Morgan, Win. E. Dedge, appealing for help for the colored refugees in Kansas. It sates there are already 15,000 to 20,000 of them in the State. They continue to come day by day, arriving ragged and barefoot and without money. Many arc sick from exposure to the severe climate, and a number had been frozen to death. They are anxious for work. Gov. Sr. John says he "has seen no tramps among them." The appeal continues: "We are gathering up money and supplies for the Irish, which is right. Ought we not to remember our starving fellow citizens in our own country,"

Five Sundays will not occur in February

Letter from Fairlax

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette] FAIRFAX C. H., Feb. 20.-Judge Sangster adjourned his court to the court in course last | ences on the acht question. afternoon. The jury in the case of the Com-But both men have some following, and will monwealth against Minor being unable to agree was discharged. This is the scood hearing in may come from the Mahone quarter. To day this case, the verdet of gully at the former Senate as it now is; but that the 13th see trial having been set aside by Judge Keith for should be struck out and a substitute there an informality in the judgment rendered on inserted when the bill reaches the lique, the verdie. These frequent trials are a burden to the county and state, as well as an annoyates to the recased, to say nothing of the revenue from the levy on property and expense to him.

There was not much, if any, besicess of interest to the general public done at this term of our county court, except the case above.

Judgo Sangster has not yet qualified under his new commission, probably waiting the issue of the case in the Court of Appeals touching election of county judges sires the first of Janusry last.

Under orders fam the General Commanding, and after a close, but secret cinvest, an offere was made on Monday last to organiz) a readjuster club or party, but, owing to the kicking of some of the supposed faithful, the organization was adjourned until next court, when, it is supposed, the Lieutenant General will be on hand to aprily the lash.

It is carrently rumored that the two prominest candidates for Congress from this county before the readjuster convention have come to terms, the one developing the lesser strength on the first ballot, to withdraw and throw his inflaence and vote to the other.

Your readers are looking with excited interest for replies from "Independent," and W. W. Skinner, to the card of R. R. Farr, e.q., W. Skinger, to the circ of the language.

QUAD.

The Way the Czar Lives,

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-A London special gives the following from the Standard's Berlin correspondence :

"Lately the Czar hardly ever left the Winter palace. When he went abroad he was sur-rounded by a cloud of mounted officers, who e notated the carriage and protected the itmate with their bodies. In the palses he was sepessible only to diplomatists, dignitaries and officers of the household. At chapel detectives compied seats that were formerly reserved for distinguished visiters. Detectives infested the kitchen. Every dish was tasted by persons of r.nk, especially selected for the purpose. The Emperor did not even venture to open his letters, die iments stoeped in poison having roheatedly been sent to him. Yet with all these

o'aborate precautions, it occurred to nobody to

search for the announced advertised and pla-

arded mine in the basement. The Vienna Tagblatt relates that for some days past the Czar has daily received a sealed letter containing a few words of menses and saying that if he did not change his system of oppression, he would not live to celebrate the 25th anniversarry of his accession. The sheet was always bordered with black. In court circles it was known as the black letter. All efforts to distover the person who conveyed it to the Earperer's icom were unsuc cessful.

AN OFFICIAL THE .- Quite a sharp little Judicial tilt occurred here last Monday between Hop. H. W. Daingerfield, the newly elected ounty judge, and his predecessor the Hon, M. Garnett.

After the delivery of Judge Dangerfield's iningural, and as soon as the court was opendudge Carnett, addressed the court stating that he oso to a question of privilege, saying : "In as much as this court is now opened in

see redaces with the forms of law and as I understand in obedience to the orders of General Mahone, I desire to offer a protest. He was interrupted by Judge Dains who said, that while he intended to extend to Judge Garnett all the courtesy he could

rightly claim, he intended to demand the same while he sat there as Judge of that court and the language of Judge Clarnett was disrespectful to the court. Judge Garnett said there was certainly a rumor to the effect that General Mahone had instructed the newly elected Judges to enter upon their duties. Judge Daingerfield replied that the court did not recognize any orders

from General Mahone and had received none. Judge Garnett raid such a rumor had resched ere, but he disclaimed baving heard that Judge Daingergeld had received such orders, and proceeded to road his protest in which the new administration was speken of as "a usurpation. When concluded Judge Daingerfield said he intended to concede to Judge Garnett the pri-

vilege of offering his protest, but would not enter a protest that obaracterized him as a usur per; if the protest was so modified as to be respeciful to the court it would be entered.

The modification were agreed upon and the protest entered .- Tidewater Index.

THE MIDLAND ROAD. -The recently report ed House bill "to authorize the purchasers of the Washington City, Virginia Midland and Great Southern Railroad Company to issue common and preferred stock for certain purposcs' | patron Mr. Cogbill provides "that whenever a sale shall have been made of the property, works, franchises, rights, and privileges of the Washington City, Virginia Midland and Great Southern Railroad Company, under a decree of the Circuit Court of the city of Alexandria, and at such sale Robert

T. Balwie, Robert Garrett, and J. Wilcox Brown, or any other persons representing the creditors, scenred and unsecured, of said company, shall have become the purchasars of said property and rights, and as such shall have constituted and named themsolves a railroad corporation under the laws of the State, it shall be lawful for them to create a capital stock by the issue of shares of common and preferred stock upon such basis, to such amount, of such classes, and in such proportions and for such purposes as are prescribed by the terms of the agreement entered into by the per-Bills were passed to amend the Code in relasons who authorized them to make such chase, and such other common and preferred stock as the said new company may by vote o its stockholders deem it proper to issue for the purposes of its road"

NEW YORK, Feb. 21 .- Two suicides occurred in this city yesterday-one a Bohemian woman named Helena Sport, and the other a young part, we are advised by mutual and jud lady named Lizzie Poel-the former by swallowing Paris green, and the latter by hanging. No reasons are given.

Stock Sales.

BALTIMORE, Fob. 21.-Sales of Virginia conels were made to-day at 51, and new 10-40; at 39; both work.

The news from the interior of the Russian empire is heartrending. Famine and diphtheria are decimating the population. Some are committing suicide and others selling their chil-

IF you are affected with that most worrying of all diseases, Despensia, get a bottle of Lareque's Anti-Bilious Bitters. If you have frequent Headaches, they will relieve you. If you are troubled with Constipation, you will positively be cured. In any complaint of the Stomach or Liver they are unfailing. All druggists vouch for them. Price, 25c. a package; \$1 a bottle. W. E. Thornton, Mfr., Baltimore, Md.

LADIES' CLOTH SACKINGS, FLANNELS, CAMEL'S HAIR; a large variety, with suitable frimmings to match, just opened at ISAAC EICHBURG'S.

BLACK SKIRT BRAIDS, a big job, at 24. I. EICHBERG'S.

The Readjusters and the Schi. RICHMOND, Feb. 21.-The R a a esueus last night to hermonize

General Mahoue and Auditor Me present, and gave their views, atter what was agreed that the bill should be pasted by

The 13th section provides that to here interest on the new bonds one third of the centum of the revenue collected their here

shall be paid into the Treasury to the end the public debt. The substitute directs that the interest of be paid from "any money in the Treasury to otherwise appropriated." In other word

leaves the whole subject in the hands of Legislature-one year the crediters may car per cent.; next year they may get 2 per ca or nothing, according as the Logis Maior

> [Communicate] Screw Bolt Works.

Why don's the enterprising citizes of Ala andria respond to the appeals made by Julius Dienelt, and seize on an entere that might prove a great teach, to the for-

The small capital-ten theusand delethat Mr. Dieaelt states would be sufficient start a recew bolt works here, emit end; raised in a short time if a few, of the m men wenld only invest same of

money. There was a gentleman in town Westwho curies on a foundry in New York, a said he never saw a plier with better than Alexandria, and if he could sellen

he would remove his foundry here. I merely make this statement to show opinions of visitors about our town; and our own citizens say Alexandria is placed Let enterprising men take held of they and we shall seen see if there is any life !

the old town. Alexandria, Va., Feb. 20,

This is a dangerous season, and ones foodest mother's care is no protection as Coughs, Colds and Hearsoners, Dr. E. Cough Sgrup should be kept in reading Price 25 cents.

HOTEL ARRIVALS. TONIINE .- Thomas P. Mills, Philad Pr: B M Stevenson, Md; John Colwell George F Learned, Fairfax C. H, Va. H Bayly, Fauquier co. Vs; Colonel M D. Alasks; Thomas J Chew, Prince Will. Va; A B Chalmers, Baltimere, Md; TA Haymarket, Va; James Hopkins, Md. Harris, Winchester, Vs; Julia Alexander W R Winehester, Leesburg, Va; P F P. Ralicgh N. C; H Whitmore. Baltimore James Alfred Jones, Richmond, Va; Alexa Haight, Fairtex co, Vr. 11 C Mauduz, Md; James M Marshall, Farquier e Besford, Canada; John D Morey, Glone Va; Harry Payno, Balt, Md; Thomas Par-Richmond, Va; John II Tolbert, Mei Sas T Purdy and Wm Bates, Washington, b Wm II Scott, Balt, Md.

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Brown's Rousehold L'anacea Is the most effective Pain Destroyer in the we Will most surely quicken the blood wh taken internally or applied external thereby more certainly EKLIEVE P whether chronic or scute, than any other alleviator, and it is warranted double the size

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It cures Pain in the Side, Each or Place Soro Throst, Rheumatism, Toothache and Al ACHES, and is The Great Eclievers Pain. "BROWN'S HOUSEHOLD CEA" should be in every family. ful of the Panacea in a tumbler of (sweetened, if preferred), taken at bedtim BREAK UP A COLD. Presents a bedtie

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25 cents a box.

TO THE PUBLIC. 28 The Committee baving in charge moval of their late comrades in arms from U. S. cemetery to Christ Churchyard, a performed that duty. There remains on he surplus of S57, which they have deposited Col. Arthur Herbert, (of the firm of Bur Herbert, bankers, who has kindly consent act as Treasurer.) as a nucleus upon wifound a fund sufficient to erect an approp shaft, at the intersection of Prince and Wington streets, to the memory of our constant disto Confederate dead, who left this neighborhood, and laid down their lives cause they held dear to their hearts. All persons who desire to contribute to

may,) will please hand or send the same to Horbert, who will duly acknowledge it. feb 7-Stooif \* THE COMMUTES Papers friendly please copy-

sudable object, (and it is cornestly hope

DELAY IS DANGEROUS-Call M.

morning at L. EICHBERG'S. LIST OF LETTERS.

The following is a list of the letters remain the Postoflice in this city February 21. Persons calling for letters will say they are vertised and give the date of the list. If not called for within thirty days, they sent to the dead letter office, in Wa Andrews, Levi Moore, Miss Mega Murry, Mrs Lucy

Baker, James A. Baxter, Mrs Emma Medler, A B Boston, Benj Claridge & Co Murphy, Mrs E McDonald, ilayli Pion, Mrs Louise Jlark, Miss Sallio Read, Henry Rapp, Miss Mary Hollinger, Charles Lewis, James Lawrence, Wm Moore, Mrs Manerver Stuart, Miss Gert

LEWIS MCKENZIE, P. V A CARD.

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A misunderstanding having mis friends that such agreement under the circ stances was fairly liable to the misconstrucinto which we mutually fell, and as such is i perly the subject of mutual explanation and derstanding; and such explanations having mutually made, we are advised that the mains not properly a subject of further missed standing or dissgreement, and that was withdraw all offensive language or condu he same may have occurred, with prope pressions of regret for the same, which was accordingly done. We, therefore, hereby draw all offensive words used toward end and agree that the matter between us sand here without further explanations or der

J. B. BLACKBURN. We have advised the above settlem of M consider it final and entirely just to the parts ARTHUR HERREST concerned.

DIELL. Entered into life on the morning of Februs. 21st, in the 7/nd year of her ago, Mrs. AN GREENE wife of the late Edward Grane daughter of the late Dr. James Carron per late residence, No. 16 Sept. Fairfax street, on Monday, February 197d. 81

o'clock p. m. Rev. WM. HERBERT NORKIS, of the Protostant Episcopal Church, died in Philadelphia on Tuesday last, of paralysis of the heart, He was a son of Ber 60th year of his ago. He was a son of Rev. 0 ver Norris, of St. Paul's P. E. Church, Alered dris, Ya., who died in the year 1325.